

STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS:

Gastroparesis, a chronic illness impacting the stomach and digestive system,

affects more than 5 million people in the United States, including many

Minnesotans; and

WHEREAS:

Gastroparesis is a paralysis of the stomach which can cause lack of appetite,

debilitating pain, nausea, vomiting, early satiety, and can lead to malnutrition, dehydration, extreme weight loss, overwhelming fatigue, and possibly death due

to complications; and

WHEREAS:

There is low public awareness, few effective treatment options, no cure, and a

limited support system for those affected by this illness; and

WHEREAS:

Further research is needed to develop improved medications and additional

treatment options, in order to offer more hope to those affected; and

WHEREAS:

It is important to raise greater awareness for gastroparesis within the medical

community and in the general public.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of August 2018, as:

GASTROPARESIS/MOTILITY DISORDER MONTH

in the State of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 30th day of July.

GOVERNOR

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SECRETARY OF STATE